Stochastic quantum integrable systems

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A physicist's guide to solving the Kardar-Parisi-Zhang equation

$$KPZ: \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 h}{\partial x^2} + \left(\frac{\partial h}{\partial x}\right)^2 + \dot{W} \qquad SHE: \frac{\partial Z}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 Z}{\partial x^2} + \dot{W}Z$$
1. Think of the Cole-Hopf transform instead: $Z = e^{h}$ solves the SHE
2. Look at the moments $\langle Z(t, x_i) \cdots Z(t, x_k) \rangle$. They are solutions of the
quantum delta Bose gas evolution [Kardar '87], [Molchanov '87],
 $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \langle Z(t, x_i) \cdots Z(t, x_k) \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{k} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i^2} + \sum_{i\neq j} \delta(x_i - x_j) \right) \langle Z(t, x_i) \cdots Z(t, x_k) \rangle$

3. Use Bethe ansatz to solve it [Bethe '31], [Lieb-Liniger '63], [McGuire '64], [Yang '67], [Oxford '79] [Heckman-Opdam '97]
4. Reconstruct solution using the known moments: The replica trick. [Calabrese-Le Doussal-Rosso '10+], [Dotsenko '10+] Possible mathematician's interpretation. Be wise - discretize!

- 1. Start with a good discrete system that converges to KPZ.
- 2. Find 'moments' that solve an integrable autonomous system of equations (i.e., find a Markov duality).
- 3. Use Bethe ansatz to solve, for arbitrary initial data
- 4. Reconstruct the solution using the known 'moments' and take the limit to KPZ/SHE. A mathematically rigorous replica trick.

We can do 1–3 for a few systems: q–TASEP, ASEP, q–Hahn TASEP, higherspin vertex models. So far we can do 4 only for very special initial conditions. <u>q-Boson process [Sasamoto-Wadati '98]</u>

At each location top particle jumps to the left by one indep. with rates $1-q^{\#}$ of particles at the site. The generator is $(\vec{n}_j = (\dots, n_j - 1, \dots))$ $(Hf)(\vec{n}) = \sum_{\text{clusters } i} (1 - q^{C_i}) (f(\vec{n}_{C_1^{\dagger} \dots + C_i}^{-}) - f(\vec{n})) \quad \text{clusters } \vec{C} = (3, 1, 3, 1, 2)$



Restricted to k particles, if $u:\mathbb{Z}^k \to \mathbb{C}$ satisfies boundary conditions $\left(\nabla_{i} - q \nabla_{i+1} \right) u \Big|_{\substack{n_{i}=n_{i+1}}} = 0 \qquad \text{for all } 1 \le i \le k-1$ then restricted to ordered \vec{n} , $(Hu)(\vec{n}) = (Lu)(\vec{n})$ where $(\mathcal{L}\mathcal{U})(\vec{n}) = (1-q) \sum_{i=1}^{n} (\nabla_i \mathcal{U})(\vec{n}), \qquad \nabla_i \text{ is } (\nabla_i)(x) = f(x-1) - f(x)$ acting in N_i

<u>q-Boson eigenfunctions</u>

Bethe ansatz and PT-invariance yields $(z_1,...,z_k \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{1\})$

$$\begin{split} & \bigvee_{\vec{z}}^{l} \left(\vec{n} \right) = \sum_{\sigma \in S(k)} \prod_{a>b} \frac{\overline{z}_{\sigma(a)} - q_{\sigma(b)}^{2}}{\overline{z}_{\sigma(a)} - \overline{z}_{\sigma(b)}} \prod_{j=1}^{k} \left(\frac{1}{1 - \overline{z}_{\sigma(j)}} \right)^{j} \\ & \bigvee_{\vec{z}}^{r} \left(\vec{n} \right) = \frac{1}{C_{q}(\vec{n})} \sum_{\sigma \in S(k)} \prod_{a>b} \frac{\overline{z}_{\sigma(a)} - q_{\sigma(b)}^{2}}{\overline{z}_{\sigma(a)} - \overline{z}_{\sigma(b)}} \prod_{j=1}^{k} \left(1 - \overline{z}_{\sigma(j)} \right)^{j} \end{split}$$

with $\left(\begin{array}{c} q(\vec{n}) = (-1)^{k} q^{-k(k-1)/2} \frac{(q_{j}q)c_{j}}{(1-q)^{\zeta_{1}}} & \frac{(q_{j}q)c_{2}}{(1-q)^{\zeta_{2}}} \end{array} \right)$, and eigenvalues $\left| \left(\begin{array}{c} \psi^{l} \\ \psi^{l} \\ \psi^{l} \end{array}\right) = (q-1) \sum_{j=1}^{k} z_{j} \psi^{l} \\ \psi^{j} \\ \psi^{j} \end{array}\right), \qquad \left| \left(\begin{array}{c} \psi^{r} \\ \psi^{r} \\ \psi^{r} \\ \psi^{r} \end{array}\right) = (q-1) \sum_{j=1}^{k} z_{j} \psi^{r} \\ \psi^{r} \\ \psi^{r} \\ \psi^{r} \end{array}\right).$ Direct and inverse Fourier type transforms

Let
$$W = \{f: \{n_1 \ge \dots \ge n_k | n_j \in \mathbb{Z}\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$
 of compact support $\}$
 $\mathcal{C}^k = \left(\left[\left(\frac{1}{1-z_j}\right)^{\pm 1}, \dots, \left(\frac{1}{1-z_k}\right)^{\pm 1}\right]^{S(k)} = \text{symmetric Lawrent poly's in } \left(\frac{1}{1-z_j}\right), 1 \le j \le k.$

Direct tranform: $F: W^k \rightarrow C^k$

$$\mathcal{F}: \mathcal{f} \longmapsto \sum_{\substack{n, \geq \dots \geq n_k}} \mathcal{f}(\vec{n}) \cdot \Psi_{\vec{z}}^{r}(\vec{n})$$

Inverse transform: $J: \mathcal{C}^k \rightarrow \mathcal{W}^k$

$$J: G \longmapsto (q-1)^{k} q^{-\frac{k(k-1)}{2}} \frac{1}{(2\pi i)^{k} k!} \oint \cdots \oint \det \left[\frac{1}{q w_{i} - w_{j}} \right]_{i,j=1}^{k} \oint \frac{w_{j}}{1 - w_{j}} \Psi_{\vec{w}}^{l}(\vec{n}) G(\vec{w}) d\vec{w}$$
$$|w_{j}| = R > 1$$

<u>Theorem [Borodin-C-Petrov-Sasamoto '13]</u> On spaces \mathcal{W}^{k} and \mathcal{C}^{k} , operators \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{J} are mutual inverses of each other.

Back to the q-Boson particle system

<u>Corollary</u> The (unique) solution of the q-Boson evolution equation

$$\partial_{t}f(t,\vec{n}) = Hf(t,\vec{n}) \text{ with } f(0,\vec{n}) = f_{0}(\vec{n}) \text{ is }$$

$$f(t,\vec{n}) = J\left(e^{(q-1)\sum_{j=1}^{k} 2_{j}t} f_{0}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{(2\pi i)^{k}} \oint \cdots \oint \prod_{a < b} \frac{2a^{-2b}}{2a^{-}q^{2b}} \prod_{j=1}^{k} \left(\frac{1}{(1-2j)}\right)^{n_{j}+1} e^{(q-1)\sum_{j=1}^{k} 2_{j}t} f_{0}(\vec{2}) d\vec{2}$$

$$*o(t_{i},\cdots) (t_{k-1})^{2} d\vec{2}$$

The computation of \mathcal{F}_{6}^{+} can still be difficult. It is, however, automatic if $f_{o} = \mathcal{J}G \implies \mathcal{F}_{6}^{-} = \mathcal{F}\mathcal{J}G = G$.

Eg: For initial data
$$f_0(\vec{n}) = \prod_{\{n_i \ge 1, 1 \le i \le k\}}, G(\vec{z}) = q^{k(k-1)/2} \prod_{j=1}^k \frac{Z_j - 1}{Z_j}$$

<u>q-TASEP [Borodin-C'11]</u>

Particles jump right by one according to exponential clocks of rate $1 - q^{gop}$.

Proposition [Borodin-C-Sasamoto '12] For q-TASEP with finitely many particles on the right, $f(t, \vec{n}) = \mathbb{E}\left[\prod_{j=1}^{k} q^{x_{n_j}(t)+n_j} \right]$ is the unique solution of $\frac{d}{dt} f(t, \vec{n}) = (Hf)(t, \vec{n}), \qquad f(0, \vec{n}) = \mathbb{E}\left[\prod_{j=1}^{k} q^{x_{n_j}(0)+n_j} \right].$

Theorem [B-C '11], [B-C-Sasamoto '12], [B-C-Gorin-Shakirov '13] For the q-TASEP with step initial data $\{X_n(o)=-n\}_{n\geq 1}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} q^{(x_{n_{1}}(t)+n_{1})+\ldots+(x_{n_{k}}(t)+n_{k})} \\ (n_{1} \ge n_{2} \ge \ldots \ge n_{k}) \end{bmatrix} = \frac{(-1)^{k} q^{\frac{k(k-1)}{2}}}{(2\pi i)^{k}} \oint \cdots \oint \prod_{A < B} \frac{Z_{A}-Z_{B}}{Z_{A}-q,Z_{B}} \prod_{j=1}^{k} \frac{e^{(q-1)t z_{j}}}{(1-z_{j})^{n_{j}}} \frac{d z_{j}}{z_{j}}$$

Starting point for KPZ asymptotics.

<u>Defining the L-matrix</u>

$$\frac{\text{Vector spaces:}}{(H' \text{ likewise})} \quad \bigvee^{I} = \begin{cases} \text{span}(0, 1, ..., I) & , I \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \\ \text{span}(0, 1, ...) & , else \end{cases}$$

<u>L-matrix</u>: Indexed by complex parameters q_{I}, α, I , J such that $|: \bigvee^{\mathsf{I}} \otimes | \mathcal{H} \to \bigvee^{\mathsf{I}} \otimes | \mathcal{H}'.$ <u>L-matrix elements</u>: $L(i_1, j_1; i_2, j_2)$ indexed by $l_1, l_2 \in V^T$ and $j_1, j_2 \in H^J$. For most of the talk, we will set $J=1, V=q^{-1}$ and write $L_{\alpha}^{(J)}$.

<u>L-matrix elements</u>

Definition: For J=1 and $M \ge 0$, the non-zero entries of $L_{\alpha}^{(0)}$ are:



$$1 - \frac{1}{m} = 0 \quad \sum_{\alpha}^{(1)} (m, 1; m+1, 0) = \frac{1 - \sqrt{q}}{1 + \alpha} \qquad 1 - \frac{1}{m} \quad 1 \sum_{\alpha}^{(1)} (m, 1; m, 1) = \frac{\alpha + \sqrt{q}}{1 + \alpha}$$

Particle conservation: sum of inputs $i_{1+j_{1}}$ equals sum of outputs $i_{2+j_{2}}$. Stochasticity: Given $i_{1,j_{1}}$, sum over $i_{2,j_{2}}$ equals 1; positive entries if: 1) $q_{1}, \forall \in (0,1)$, $\alpha > 0$, 2) $q_{1} \in (1,\infty)$, $\forall = q_{1}^{-1}$ for $I \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$, $\alpha \in (-\nu, 0)$.

Zero range process (stochastic transfer matrix)

$$\frac{ZRP: State \vec{q} = (q_i)_{i \in \mathbb{Z}}, \quad g_i \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}, \quad \exists x \text{ s.t. } g_x > 0, \quad g_y = 0 \quad \forall y < x.$$

$$0 = h_x \qquad f_{x+1} \qquad h_{x+2} \qquad Seq'n (left -> right) update via \ L_{\alpha}^{(1)} \quad Markov \\ chain so given \quad g_x, h_x \text{ choose } g_x', h_{x+1} \quad with \\ probability \ L_{\alpha}^{(1)}(q_x, h_x; g_x', h_{x+1}). \\ (dynamics conserve sum of g's, and h's = 0 \text{ or } 1) \\ (dynamics conserve sum of g's, and h's = 0 \text{ or } 1) \\ (dynamics and define its space reversal) \\ \vec{q} \in \mathcal{Q} \quad \vec{q} \in \mathcal{Q}$$

 $\xrightarrow{1}{-3} \xrightarrow{-2} \xrightarrow{-1}{0} \xrightarrow{1}{2} \xrightarrow{2}{3} B^{\alpha, \eta \alpha}(\vec{\gamma}, \vec{\gamma}') \text{ with state variables } \vec{\gamma}.$

<u>Asymmetric exclusion process</u>

$$\begin{array}{l}
\underline{AEP}: \text{ State } \vec{\chi} = (\chi_{1} > \chi_{2} > \cdots), \quad \chi_{i} \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad \chi_{i} \equiv +\infty, \quad i \leq 0 \quad (\text{need } \bigvee^{T} \text{ inf. dim}) \\
0 = \underbrace{h_{0}}_{h_{1}} \underbrace{f_{0}}_{h_{1}} \underbrace{h_{2}}_{h_{2}} \cdots \\
g_{0} = +\infty \quad g_{1}
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
ZRP \text{ on gaps: Let } g_{i} = \chi_{i} - \chi_{i_{1}} - 1 \quad \text{and} \\
update \quad \vec{g} \rightarrow \vec{g}' \text{ via } ZRP. \quad \text{Set } \chi_{i}' \equiv \chi_{i} + h_{i}'. \\
Call \quad T^{\alpha, q^{\alpha}}(\vec{\chi}, \vec{\chi}') \quad \text{transition probability } / \\
matrix \quad \text{for the } AEP.
\end{array}$$

<u>Bernoulli q-TASEP</u>

Take V = 0, $q \in (0,1)$, $\propto > 0$ then the AEP becomes



Taking $p \rightarrow 0$, jumps become seldom and speeding up by 1/p we recover the continuous time q-TASEP [Borodin-C '11]



<u>Stochastic six vertex model</u>

Take $V = q^{-1} (I=1)$, $q \in (1, \infty)$, $\alpha \in (-v, 0)$. The six non-zero weights depend on q_{i}, α and can be reparameterized via $b_{i}, b_{i} \in (0, 1)$ as



ZRP obeys exclusion rule [Gwa-Spohn '92], [Borodin-C-Gorin '14].



<u>ASEP limits</u>

The ratio $\frac{b_2}{b_1} = \gamma$. Fixing this and taking $b_1, b_2 \lor 0$ ($\alpha \lor -\gamma$) Particles almost always follow a $\int f$ trajectory. Subtracting this diagonal motion and speeding up time by 1/b we arrive at ASEP with left jump rate \hat{k} and right jump rate Γ having ratio $\bar{f} = \gamma$.



Thus we have united q-TASEP and ASEP as processes.

Half domain wall boundary conditions (step initial data)



Start stochastic six-vertex with $g_i(0) = 1_{i\geq 0}$ and define a height function: H(x,y) = # lines left of (x,y).

<u>Asymptotics</u>

<u>Theorem [Borodin-C-Gorin '14]</u>: For $(0 < b_2 < b_1 < 1)$, $\lambda := \frac{1-b_1}{1-b_2}$ we have Law of large numbers:

$$\lim_{L \to \infty} \frac{H(Lx,Ly)}{L} = \left((x,y) := \begin{cases} 0 & , \frac{x}{y} < k \\ (\sqrt{y(1-b_1)} - \sqrt{x(1-b_2)})^2 & , \frac{x}{y} < \frac{x}{y} \\ x-y & , \frac{1}{x} < \frac{x}{y} \end{cases}$$

Central limit theorem: For $\mathcal{H} < \frac{x}{\mathcal{Y}} < \frac{1}{\mathcal{H}}$

$$\lim_{L\to\infty} \mathbb{P}\left(\frac{\mathcal{H}(x,y)L - \mathcal{H}(Lx,Ly)}{\mathcal{T}_{x,y}L^{\gamma_3}} \le S\right) = F_{GUE}(S)$$



<u>Asymptotics (simulations by Leonid Petrov)</u>



Bethe ansatz diagonalization

Consider the space-reverse ZRP with k particles ($\sum y_i = k$) and label stated by $(n_i \ge n_2 \ge \dots \ge n_K) = \vec{n}$. Define the left eigenfunction:

$$\Psi_{\vec{z}}^{\ell}(\vec{n}) = \sum_{\sigma \in S(k)} \prod_{a>b} \frac{\overline{z}_{\sigma(a)} - \gamma_{\sigma(b)}}{\overline{z}_{\sigma(a)} - \overline{z}_{\sigma(b)}} \prod_{j=1}^{k} \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{z}_{\sigma(j)}}{1 - \overline{z}_{\sigma(j)}} \right)^{n_{j}}$$

indexed by $z_{1,...,} z_{k} \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{1, v'\}$ and depending on q_{i}, v only. <u>Theorem [Borodin '14]</u>: For $z_{i} : \left| \frac{1-z_{i}}{1-vz_{i}} \frac{\varphi_{i}+v}{\varphi_{i}+1} \right| < 1, i=1,..., K$

$$\left(\widetilde{B}^{\alpha,q\alpha} \Psi_{\vec{z}}^{\ell}\right)(\vec{n}) = \prod_{i=1}^{k} \frac{1+q\alpha z_{i}}{1+\alpha z_{i}} \Psi_{\vec{z}}^{\ell}(\vec{n})$$

Plancherel theory given in [Borodin-C-Petrov-Sasamoto '14] can be used to solve Kolmogorov forward and backward equation.

Direct and inverse Fourier type transforms

Let
$$W^{k} = \left\{ f: \left\{ n_{1} \ge \dots \ge n_{k} \mid n_{j} \in \mathbb{Z} \right\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \text{ of compact support} \right\}$$
$$\overset{k}{\subseteq} \left(\left[\left(\underbrace{1 - \nu_{2}}{1 - z_{j}} \right)^{\pm 1}, \dots, \left(\underbrace{1 - \nu_{2}}{1 - z_{k}} \right)^{\pm 1} \right]^{S(k)} = \text{symmetric Lawrent poly's in } \left(\underbrace{1 - \nu_{2}}{1 - z_{j}} \right), 1 \le j \le k.$$

Direct tranform: $F: \mathcal{W}^{k} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}^{k}$ $\mathcal{F}: \mathbf{f} \longmapsto \sum_{\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{z}, \ldots \geq \mathbf{n}_{\mathbf{k}}} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{n}) \cdot \mathcal{V}_{\mathbf{z}}^{\mathbf{r}}(\mathbf{n}) =: \langle \mathbf{f}, \mathcal{V}_{\mathbf{z}}^{\mathbf{r}} \rangle_{\mathbf{n}}$ Inverse transform: $\mathcal{M}: \mathcal{C}^{k} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}^{k}$ $J: G \mapsto (q-1)^{k} q^{-\frac{k(k-1)}{2}} \frac{1}{(2\pi i)^{k} k!} \oint \cdots \oint \det \left[\frac{1}{q w_{i} - w_{j}} \right]_{i,j=1}^{k} \bigwedge_{j=1}^{k} \frac{w_{j}}{(1 - w_{j})(1 - v w_{j})} \Psi_{\vec{w}}^{l}(\vec{n}) G(\vec{w}) d\vec{w}$ $=: \langle \Psi^{l}(\vec{n}), G \rangle_{\vec{w}}$

Plancherel isomorphism theorem

<u>Theorem [Borodin-C-Petrov-Sasamoto '14]</u> On spaces \mathcal{W}^{k} and \mathcal{C}^{k} , operators \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{J} are mutual inverses of each other.

Isometry:
$$\langle f, g \rangle_{W} = \langle \mathcal{F}f, \mathcal{F}g \rangle_{U}$$
 for $f, g \in W^{k}$
 $\langle \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} \rangle_{U} = \langle \mathcal{T}F, \mathcal{J}G \rangle_{W}$ for $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{C}^{k}$

Proof of JF = Id uses residue calculus in nested contour version of J, while proof of FJ = Id uses existence of simultaneously diagonalized family of matrices

ASEP/XXZ degeneration of the Plancherel theorem

Specializing V=q⁻ (require some care since now v>1) yields ASEP eigenfunctions:
JF = Id becomes equivalent to the time zero version of
[Tracy-Widom '08] k-particle ASEP transition probability result

• FJG = G applied to a certain G yields TW 'magical-identity'.

XXZ in k-magnon sector is similarity transform of ASEP, so we recover results of [Babbitt-Gutkin '90] (the proof of which seems to be lost in the literature). Further limit to XXX in k-magnon sector [Babbitt-Thomas '77]

AEP - ZRP Markov duality

Define a duality functional
$$H(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) := \prod_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} q^{(X_i + i)Y_i} (= 0 \text{ if } y_i > 0 \text{ for any } i \leq 0)$$

Theorem [C-Petrov '15]: $T^{\alpha}, q^{\alpha} H = H(\tilde{B}^{\alpha}, q^{\alpha})^{T}$
Corollary: $E[H(\vec{x}(t), \vec{y})] = (\tilde{B}^{\alpha}, q^{\alpha})^{T} E[H(\vec{x}(0), \vec{y})]$

<u>Corollary</u>: For the AEP with step initial data $\{X_n(o) = -n\}_{n \ge 1}$

$$\left[\left[q_{n_{1}}^{(x_{n_{1}}(t)+n_{1})+\ldots+(x_{n_{k}}(t)+n_{k})} \right] = \frac{(-1)^{k} q^{\frac{k(k-1)}{2}}}{(2\pi i)^{k}} \oint \dots \oint \prod_{A < B} \frac{Z_{A} - Z_{B}}{Z_{A} - q^{2}Z_{B}} \int_{j=1}^{k} \left(\frac{1 - \nu Z_{j}}{1 - Z_{j}} \right)^{j} \left(\frac{1 + qx Z_{j}}{1 + \alpha Z_{j}} \right)^{j} \frac{dZ_{j}}{Z_{j}}$$

This is the starting point for distributional formulas and asymptotics.

<u>J>1 via fusion</u>

Define the higher horizontal spin ZRP transition operator as $B^{\alpha,q^{j}\alpha} := B^{\alpha,q^{\alpha}} B^{q^{\alpha},q^{\beta}\alpha} ... B^{q^{j}\alpha',q^{j}\alpha}.$

Clearly this is still stochastic (if each B was) and it is diagonalized via the same eigenfunctions with eigenvalue $\prod_{j=1}^{k} \frac{1+q_j' \propto z_j}{1+\alpha z_j}$

<u>Question</u>: Can this be realized via a sequential update Markov chain using some $L_{\alpha}^{(J)}: V^{I} \otimes H^{J} \rightarrow V^{I} \otimes H^{J}$?

<u>Answer</u>: Yes, due to [Kirillov–Reshetikhin '87] fusion procedure. This simplifies on the line and we provide a probabilistic proof.

J>1 via fusion



- The horizontal Markov chain updating column by column preserves 'q-exchangable' measures.
- Along with Markov function theory [Pitman-Rogers '80], this implies that the projection is Markov in its own filtration.
- It also provides a recursion for the higher J L-matrices.

Explicit formula for higher spin L-matrix

Based on [Mangazeev '14] we solve the recursion explicitly $(\beta = \alpha q_{j}^{J})$

$$\frac{\sum_{\alpha}^{(j)}(i_{1},j_{1};i_{2},j_{2})}{(i_{\alpha},j_{1};i_{2},j_{2})} = \prod_{i_{1}+j_{1}=i_{2}+j_{2}} q^{2} + \frac{\sum_{\alpha}^{j}}{q} + \frac{\sum_{\alpha}^{j}}{$$

Various degenerations (and analytic continuations) are possible and many remain to be investigated.

<u>Degenerations to known integrable stochastic systems in KPZ class</u>



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<u>Summary</u>

- Found stochastic L-matrix and constructed ZRP/AEP from it.
- Diagonalized via complete Bethe ansatz basis (one the line).
- Markov duality enabled computation of moment formulas.
- Provided explicit formula for 4-parameter family of processes encompassing all known integrable KPZ class models.
- This method generalizes / rigorizes the polymer replica trick and removes much of the ad hoc nature.
- Many directions: asymptotics, new degenerations, other initial data, product matrix ansatz, higher rank groups, boundary conditions, connections to Macdonald-like processes...